

## LOCAL AFFAIRS

### A. C. L. Local Time Table.

Passenger, Northbound.....	8 18 a. m.
Passenger, Southbound.....	10 48 a. m.
Passenger, Northbound.....	5 20 p. m.
Passenger, Southbound.....	8 51 p. m.

Free River Lodge No. 66, F. & A. M. meets every night on or before the full moon in each month.  
W. S. DAVENPORT, W. M.  
W. M. PLATT, Secretary.

### C. H. & N. Local Time Table

Pass. Sunday only Southbound.....	7:30 a. m.
Pass. Daily Ex. Sun. South.....	10:55 a. m.
Pass. Daily Ex. Sun. North.....	5:00 p. m.
Pass. Sunday only Northbound.....	3:30 p. m.

Kanner's father is visiting him this week.

L. V. Bryan has returned from a trip to Sanford last week.

Ed. Garner, base ballist, is spending week in Arcadia.

Col. J. L. Sauls, of Ona, was shaking hands with friends in Arcadia Wednesday.

Miss Lilly McDuffie, of Ivanhoe, N. C., is visiting Mrs. McIlwiner, at the Florida House.

Walter Ivey came over from St. Petersburg to spend the holidays with the home folks.

Mrs. Geo. Bunker nee Miss Donatta Foster, and husband, are visiting in Arcadia this week.

Rev. E. C. Hudson and wife are spending the holidays in Arcadia the guests of Mrs. Wey.

Walter Carlton, who has been away from Arcadia for the past three years, is spending Christmas with his relatives in this city.

Mr. E. A. Houstoun and Prof. Bixley and some of the boys of the town have returned from a week's camp hunt at Hobeating creek.

J. W. Topping, advance agent for Kitchfield's Pavilion Shows, was in Arcadia Wednesday and paid us a call. The show will be here next Tuesday.

The Arcadia Dancing Club give a New Year's Ball at the opera house tonight. A big time is expected by those who enjoy "tripping the light fantastic toe."

John F. Carlton, brother of D. T. and Dad Carlton has returned to Arcadia and taken a position in the post office. It looks natural to see him there for he served us before in that capacity.

Christmas trees at the different churches and the opera house last Thursday night bore the usual abundant crop of toys and goodies for the children of Arcadia, and altho we attended none we can safely say the children all had a good time.

A call meeting of the members of St. Edmund's Episcopal church will be held at the Central Hotel on next Wednesday night, 8 p. m., January 6. Every member is urgently requested to be present as matters of importance are to be settled.

The friends of Mrs. M. M. Best, of Punta Gorda, will rejoice with her over the return of her son Joe, whom, for some months, she feared was drowned in the east coast. Joe has been traveling in Michigan and other northern states.

The heaviest frost we have had this season was last Saturday night and Sunday morning. Only tender vines, however, were nipped as not even bananas were hurt. We are now having cloudy, warm weather, with a light shower Wednesday morning.

Mrs. E. H. King will entertain the Philathea and Baraca Classes on Thursday evening, at her home, 7 to 12 p. m. All come and bring your dues and help ring the old year out and the New Year in. We won't say positively but of course we think Mrs. King will give us something good to eat.

Mrs. C. H. Smith, Miss Kate Taylor, Rupert Harvey and Sophie May Smith spent Christmas with the Doan's at the parentine station at Boca Grande. A big dance at the home was part of the entertainment.

Rev. Rudolph Schley preached his farewell sermon at St. Edmund's Episcopal Church on Sunday night, and left for his home in his home at St. Petersburg, Fla. Mr. Schley, during the two years of his service as pastor of the church in Arcadia, was quite a successful preacher, and served the church in a most efficient manner. His departure has been approached with the sadness and regret which the loss of a good man and the parents of his children. The Sunday School have been greatly benefited by their little pastor's ministrations. We are sure that the sentiment of the church will be to miss him in the near future. Many remarkable

Mr. V. Kantz, of Fort Myers, is visiting in Arcadia this week.

Claude and Hugh Jones are home from Stetson for the holidays.

Mrs. Henry McLaughlin, of Sanford, is spending the week at Dr. Kirby H. Smith's.

Miss Hazel King, who is attending school at St. Augustine is home for the holidays.

Rupert Smith went to Tampa Monday and took the competitive examination for the Naval Academy.

Mrs. R. E. Brown entertained at Bridge Tuesday in honor of her brother, who is visiting her.

Miss Ves Parker is home from Macomb where she is attending the Wesleyan College, for the holidays.

Oscar Webb and A. J. Dozier left Sunday for Grove City where they hunted. Mr. Dozier shot a deer.

Doctor C. P. Baird and wife have returned from their holiday outing in Lakeland. They report a fine time.

Mr. J. N. Hollingsworth is still very low, no improvement can be noted from day to day, but rather greater weakness.

King Bros., of Kansas, have recently arrived with a car load of fine horses that are on sale at the Robertson Livery Stable.

Doctor McSwain and party left Monday for Ft. Myers, where they expect to take boat for a hunting and fishing trip to the Everglades.

Mr. Jno. Parker will chaperone a party of gentlemen on a hunting trip to the Chuckoluskee shortly. John Dowd's launch will be used.

Mrs. C. H. Smith left Tuesday for Tampa where she went to buy goods to replenish her stock. She is expected home tonight.

Thad Carlton and party returning this afternoon from Boca Grande where they have been hunting in and about Englewood. They brought back three deer.

Ralph Carlton, the bright young son of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Carlton has returned home after quite an extended stay at Asheville, N. C. We are sorry Ralph does not seem more rugged, and hope the balmy climate of South Florida will have a beneficial effect on his health.

The Masons of Arcadia held public installation on Monday night, and afterward a banquet was served to sixty-five members. Governor-elect Gilchrist was an honored guest of the occasion. The newly elected officers are: W. M. Platt, W. M.; N. A. Faulkner, S. W.; J. J. Heard, J. W.; L. A. Stroud, Sec.; S. J. Simmons, Treas. and H. E. Carlton, Chaplain.

### A Pretty Wedding

The marriage of Miss Mathilde Mitchell and Mr. Cyril Baldwin, took place according to program on Wednesday night, December 30, Rev. C. W. White, officiating.

The Methodist church was prettily decorated and the congregation large.

At about 8 p. m. the strains of the wedding march, played by Miss Kate Carlton, announced that the bridal party was coming, and the ushers Finis Hooker and Ed Campbell, Leon Stroud and Horace Carlton slowly entered and took their places in front of the altar. Then came the bridesmaids, Miss Susie Royall, pretty as a pink in a pink costume, and Miss Laura Mitchell, sister of the bride, in white silk, looking her best. Two little flower girls came next. They were the sweet little daughters of A. E. Bennett and J. J. Heard, and if they forgot any part of their duties, nobody knew for they could scarcely be seen so dense was the crowd. The lovely bride, dressed in white silk, with smiling face, and the manly groom were next the centre of attraction, and as they slowly walked alone to the altar it was only a few moments later when arm in arm they left the church, henceforth to walk together while life lasts. The marriage ceremony was brief but impressive and after it was all over the family and invited guests attended a reception tendered them by the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Mitchell.

Mrs. Baldwin is the second daughter of her parents, and a young lady of fine attainments and lovely character. Mr. Baldwin is a worthy young man, who stands high in the community where he has been raised, and who has recently been elected to fill the responsible position of tax collector of this county. Every prospect in life for this young couple is most gratifying, and we join other friends in wishing them all happiness and prosperity.

### The John H. Sparks' Shows

The famous Sparks' Shows, just returned from a great world tour, enlarged to more than three times its former size, will exhibit in this city in the near future. Many remarkable

features picked up in foreign lands, several great European aerial, acrobatic and sensational novelty acts that have been secured in the capitals of the old world, make it the most noted tented exhibition now traveling. It requires three times as many cars as formerly to transport the show, and the company has been augmented until there are actually hundreds of people appearing in the program. Many fine zoological specimens have been secured, including a herd of elephants, the largest lions and tigers ever brought to America, leopards, hyenas, etc. There are hundreds of beautiful horses and ponies, a score of lovely lady artists, 40 acrobats, leapers and tumblers, trained animal features in great variety. In fact, the Sparks' Show is a big, modern and complete exhibition, superior to any other similar institution that has ever visited this city. The handsome advertising car will be here in a few days announcing the date, and everyone should get ready to see the best show of the season.

### Passing of a Second Mohamet

"Dr." Cyrus R. Teed (Koresh) founder of the Koreshan system of science and religion, and discoverer of the cellular cosmogony, died at Estero Tuesday, Dec. 22, 1908, in his 70th year.

Dr. Teed was born in Delaware county, New York, October 18, 1839. The earlier years of his life were spent on the farm and also on the Erie canal, for, like ex-President Garfield, he served his apprenticeship on the tow path. Coming from a long line of Baptist ancestry, many of whom were ministers, he joined that church when quite young. Numerous friends endeavored to persuade him to enter the ministry, but he eventually decided in favor of the medical profession, studying with his uncle in Utica, and later entering the New York Electric college.

At the outbreak of the Civil War, Mr. Teed enlisted and served with distinction on the staff of Colonel Gurney, and later under General Woodford in the same capacity, being honorably discharged on account of disability. At the close of the war he returned to the medical college, from which he graduated in 1868, practicing subsequently in various towns and cities of the Empire State, notably among which were Utica, Syracuse and New York City.

In the winter of 1869-70, becoming somewhat skeptical of accepted scientific theories and religious creeds, he entered upon a lengthy period of chemical and other scientific research and experiments, the result of his investigations being the discovery of the cellular cosmogony and the religious and sociological system which is based thereon.

In the fall of 1886, Dr. Teed, who was then residing in New York City, was chosen as delegate to the Mental Science convention at Chicago, and was unanimously elected as president of that assembly. In December of the same year he issued his first magazine, entitled the "Guiding Star," and devoted mainly to an exposition of the science of mental healing, of which he became a most successful practitioner.

But the doctor's greatest work was yet to come. Recognizing as he did, the evils of the competitive business world, and believing communism, as practiced by Christ and His disciples to be the only righteous basis of social relation, he established a community home in Chicago in the fall of 1888, which has since been known as the Koresan Unity. Many identified themselves with the new enterprise, which soon outgrew its original environment and in the winter of 1893-94 a portion of the community was transplanted to Lee county, Florida, sixteen miles below Fort Myers, the county seat. Here began pioneer work in earnest, and the Koreshans, nothing daunted,

cleared for themselves a home from the wilderness and grew apace.

Though the scientific views of the founder of the Koreshan system had been variously demonstrated for some years, the theory of the hollow universe had, up to this time, never been submitted to a purely mechanical test. Accordingly, in the winter of 1896-97, a geodetic expedition was equipped at great expense, and a survey conducted at Naples, Fla., which thoroughly corroborated the theory of the cellular universe, and the details of which were published in a book entitled "The Cellular Cosmogony."

In 1903 the balance of the community was removed from Chicago to Estero, including a large printing outfit, machine shop, steam laundry and other equipment. The next year, a city was incorporated embracing an area of about twelve miles square, and named Estero. Elaborate plans were made by the founder for the development of the city, but through the machinations of enemies the charter was annulled by the legislature upon a technicality.

Much has been accomplished in a material way at Estero—many acres cleared, houses and workshops erected, artesian wells drilled and a beautiful park system laid out with a profusion of trees and flowering shrubs—but comparatively little of the great city as planned by its founder has as yet materialized.

Dr. Teed was a man of brilliant intellectual attainments, a highly cultured gentleman and a forcible and magnetic orator. Perhaps the greatest testimony to his wonderful genius is that from 100 to 200 people have followed him for years through all persecutions and vicissitudes, and though he is no longer with them in bodily presence, they still revere him as their leader.

Many uninformed persons may perhaps be inclined to term Koresh a visionary, whose stupendous projects will never be realized, but his staunch following confidently aver that his work will go on to completion, just as he had planned it. To the skeptical they merely say: "Wait and see and time will surely tell."—W. Stanley Hanson in *Tampa Tribune* of December 27.

### Albritton—Parnell

EDITOR CHAMPION: The wedding bells have been ringing in Crewsville. On December 24 Mr. G. G. Albritton chose for himself and received as Christmas gift a beautiful present, Miss Belle Parnell, for a wife. We can't blame him for making such a choice as we believe his wife to be one of the finest young ladies in this section. She was reared in this country and is known to possess a beautiful character and a lovely disposition. George being one of our leading young men in good looks, behavior and kind deeds we expect the Lord will bless them by a sweet life together under prayer and righteous life so when they come to die they will not regret the days they have spent together.

The marriage occurred at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Parnell, at noon on the day before Christmas. They afterward going to the home of the groom's sister, Mrs. T. Y. Crews. They were accompanied by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Albritton. After dining they went home, to spend their future life.

ROSEBUD.

### First M. E. Church, South

Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.  
Preaching, 11:00 a. m. Subject, "The New Year." Text, Phil. 3:13  
League, 3:30 p. m.  
Preaching, 7:00 p. m. Subject, "Man's Influence." John 21:3.  
C. W. WHITE, P. C.

## OUR BUSINESS BRINGERS

Local Affairs of The City as Told by Our Business People and Others

Try the Laundry on your table linen  
New line Boy's Pants just in at Gore & Scott's

Hay, Oats, Corn and Shorts at The Bridge Store

Pickles, sweet and sour, in bulk, at Espenlaub's

Table cloths and sheets done up like new at the Laundry

Sweet Potatoes and new Fla., syrup at The Bridge Store

Ride a Bicycle, it's all the go. M. L. Bryan has them for rent.

Fruits, candies, nuts, raisins and other things good to eat at Bryan's

Get your gasoline for irrigation from W. R. Kabrich & Company

Selz Shoes are the best. Every pair guaranteed at Gore & Scott's

Go to Espenlaub's for Libby's, preserves. The best in the market

See Walter Kabrich about trading your old Sewing Machine for a new one

If you don't know what to eat call around and Espenlaub will tell you

New line of Men's and Boys' Furnishing Goods just in at Gore & Scott's

Champion advertisements bring business. Try them and be convinced.

FOR RENT—Nice Large Airy Room for Offices. See Gore & Scott.

Let Walter Kabrich prove to you that the White Sewing Machine is the best

Cuba Lands. Splendid Cattle Ranch Cheap. Andrews Trading Co., Gainesville, Fla. 21-pd

Several thousand old newspapers for sale at 20 cents a 100. See us at our new office or call up phone 40.

FOR SALE—A good mercantile business carrying about a \$2,000 stock. About ten miles from railroad. For particulars call at this office

Palmettoes on fifteen acres or more land to be grubbed immediately by contract. Call on or address Z. T. Murphrey 2½ miles west of Arcadia

For Sale a surry in first class condition, will be sold at a bargain. Can be seen at E. M. Barnett's Blacksmith Shop just west of Heard's Packing House

Everything in souvenir china at the Morque store. The complete tea and other sets of Arcadia souvenir goods are just too pretty. Call and see them when you are out shopping

## RHEUMATIC FOLKS

Are You Sure Your Kidneys are Well?

Many rheumatic attacks are due to uric acid in the blood. But the duty of the kidney is to remove all uric acid from the blood. Its presence there shows the kidneys are inactive.

Don't dally with "uric acid solvents." You might go on till doomsday with them, but until you cure the kidneys you will never get well. Doan's Kidney Pills not only remove uric acid, but cure the kidneys and then all danger from uric acid is ended. Here is Arcadia testimony to prove it.

E. B. Keen, Retired, Britt, Ave., Arcadia, Fla., says: "Hard work no doubt was the cause of my kidney complaint. I suffered from this trouble for years, the principle symptom being dragging pains across my back. I also had rheumatic twinges and my joints would become stiff and lame. At times the kidney secretions were very irregular in action and of an unnatural appearance. When I saw Doan's Kidney Pills recommended I procured a box at Harry Cross' drug store and through their use found the relief I had sought. The pains in my back first disappeared, then the rheumatism was banished and the action of the kidney secretions made regular."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Language breaks out on some men like boils do on others.

A fresh shipment of National Biscuit Co.'s, crackers, at The Bridge Store

Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup not only heals irritation and allays inflammation, thereby stopping the cough, but it moves the bowels gently and in that way drives the cold from the system. Contains no opiates. It is pleasant to take, and children especially like the taste, so nearly like maple sugar. Sold by Harry Cross.